

## Nov. 22 , 2005 - News Briefs

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### City of Boulder Holiday schedule

Thursday, Nov. 24

Closures:

- All city administrative offices
- Police Records
- All Library branches
- East and West Senior Centers
- All Recreation Centers
- Pottery Lab

Open with modified hours:

- Flatirons Golf Course (closes at 2 p.m. )

### Parking

All city parking lots, structures and meters are free.

Friday, Nov. 25

Closures

- The Park Central Building , 1739 Broadway, which includes Planning & Development Services, Public Works Administration and the Planning Department will be closed for a staff in-service day
- The Boulder Municipal Court will be closed for a staff meeting
- Iris Center Administrative Office

Open regular hours:

- Most city administrative offices (with above exceptions)
- All Library branches
- East and West Senior Centers
- Pottery Lab
- Flatirons Golf Course

Open with modified hours:

- All Recreation Centers (open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. )

### Parking:

All city-owned parking garages are free

Meters and lots are regular fees

Squirrel's positive-plague test in error; test was negative

The report of a plague-positive squirrel in the area of 28th and Glenwood was in error. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment notified the Boulder Public Health Department on Monday, Nov. 21, that the squirrel was NOT positive for plague.

At this point, there are no new cases of plague in the squirrel population in Boulder. The city and county of Boulder still recommend residents keep domestic pets from interacting with wildlife.

City of Boulder Fall Leaf Drop-off is over

The last collection day for the city of Boulder Fall Leaf Drop-off Program was Saturday, Nov. 19

The city reminds residents that under Ordinance 5-4-13 Littering, Sections A and D, it is illegal to leave bags of leaves at the drop-off sites other than during the specified Fall Leaf Drop-off program hours. Anyone caught illegally dumping leaves will be prosecuted and subject to a fine. When bags of leaves are illegally left at city facilities, the city incurs the

cost for proper disposal, which takes monies away from other programs.

Residents may bring leaves to the city's Yard Waste Drop-off Center from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, located at the Western Disposal Transfer Station at 5880 Butte Mill Road. Boulder residents can drop-off leaves and other yard waste at the center for free.

Additional information on the Drop-off Center is available by calling (303) 444-2037.

Library Master Plan meeting cancelled

The Boulder Public Library Master Plan Committee meeting scheduled for Dec. 5, has been canceled. For further information, call or email Clara Burns, (303) 441-3107 or [burnsc@boulder.lib.co.us](mailto:burnsc@boulder.lib.co.us).

YOAB/Youth Opportunities Program to hold art exhibition

The city of Boulder Housing and Human Services Department's Youth Opportunities Advisory Board (YOAB)/Youth Opportunities Program is sponsoring an adult/youth art exhibition entitled

"Voices: Perspectives of the Artistic Soul." The exhibition opening will take place from 7 to 10 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 16, at exhibitrek The Gallery, 1711 15th Street. The free exhibit will run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Jan. 5 on the following days: Dec. 17, 21, 22, 28-30, and Jan. 4 and 5.

Over 110 artists submitted over 225 pieces of art for consideration. An independent jury selected pieces created by 31 high school artists and 20 adult artists for inclusion in the exhibition and exhibitrek The Gallery donated space for the exhibit. The exhibit will highlight many diverse mediums from photography and paintings to ceramics and fiber art.

The exhibit was envisioned by the city's YOAB. The goals of the exhibit are to:

- 1.) Provide an opportunity for young artists to professionally share and display their work and to showcase their talents to the community.
- 2.) Unite the community through the medium of the visual arts.
- 3.) Represent and celebrate the diversity of Boulder by inviting all ages, ethnicities, religions, and political views to participate.
- 4.) Encourage students to follow their dreams in the field of fine arts.

For more information about YOAB, contact Alice Swett, (303) 441-4349. For more information about exhibitrek, contact Mary Belochi, (303) 998-1711.

Artists (from top to bottom): Lisa Goddard, Amy LeMessurier, Russ Croop, Elizabeth Mercer

Global issues discussion group open to new members

The Boulder Public Library invites the public to join a group that reads and discusses materials on global issues on the first Thursday of each month from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Boulder Public Library, 1000 Canyon Blvd., Arapahoe Conference Room. The group is co-sponsored by United Nations Association-Boulder and the Boulder Public Library. The meeting on Dec. 1 continues a discussion about essays in the September 2005 special issue of Scientific American, titled "A Plan for a Bright Future Beyond 2050." The magazine is available for checkout at the library or refer to [www.sciam.com/issue.cfm](http://www.sciam.com/issue.cfm). For information, call (303) 638-9677.

Story sharing circle meets at library

The Boulder Public Library invites the public to "Story Sharing Circles" hosted by the Rocky Mountain Storytelling Guild from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1, and on alternate months throughout the year at the Boulder Public Library, 1000 Canyon Blvd., Boulder Creek Meeting Room. For information, call library Special Programs Coordinator Carol Heepke at 303-441-3196.

Collectibles book sale benefits library foundation

Hundreds of unusual, hard to find or out of print collectibles are offered for sale at below list prices during the Boulder Public Library collectibles book sale from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3, and from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4, at the Main Library, 1000 Canyon Blvd., Boulder Creek Meeting Room. Admission is free. Proceeds benefit the Boulder Public Library Foundation, which provides funding for library concerts, exhibits, films, youth programs, and other cultural programming. For information, call (303) 441-3106 or email [walkert@boulder.lib.co.us](mailto:walkert@boulder.lib.co.us).

Go Club for Kids and Teens holds American Go Association tournaments

The Go Club for Kids and Teens that meets Sundays at the Boulder Public Library now holds tournaments sponsored by the American Go Association. Beginners wanting to learn to play the ancient Asian board game, as well as experienced players, meet at 2 p.m. every Sunday, except Christmas Day, at the Main Library, 1000 Canyon Blvd., Boulder Creek

Meeting Room. Go boards are provided and take home sets made of paper are available for free. Official ratings from American Go Association tournaments are available online through the library Web site at [www.boulder.lib.co.us/youth/events/go.html](http://www.boulder.lib.co.us/youth/events/go.html). For information, call (303) 441-3099 or email [hollandm@boulder.lib.co.us](mailto:hollandm@boulder.lib.co.us).

#### Parks and Recreation winter activity guide available November 30

The city of Boulder Parks and Recreation activity guide will be distributed in the Wednesday, Nov. 30 issue of the Daily Camera. Non-subscribers will receive a complimentary paper or will receive the activity guide in the mail. Activity guides are available online at [www.ci.boulder.co.us/parks-recreation](http://www.ci.boulder.co.us/parks-recreation) or can be picked up at the following locations:

- East Boulder Community Center , 5660 Sioux Drive ;
- South Boulder Recreation Center , 1360 Gillaspie Drive ;
- North Boulder Recreation Center , 3170 Broadway; and
- Parks and Recreation Administrative Office, 3198 Broadway.

Registration for winter programs begins Wednesday, Dec. 7, via eConnect online registration, mail-in, drop-off and fax. Phone-in and walk-in registration begins Friday, Dec. 9. To register via eConnect, visit [www.ci.boulder.co.us/parks-recreation/econnect](http://www.ci.boulder.co.us/parks-recreation/econnect). For more information, call (303) 413-7270.

#### Boulder Senior Services offers class on handling holiday stress

Boulder Senior Services offers a class to help seniors have a pleasant holiday season without undue stress, anxiety and sleeplessness from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 6, at the East Boulder Senior Center , 5660 Sioux Drive . This class will be taught by Dianna Dunbar, LSW, from Kaiser Permanente. The fee is \$4 for city residents, and \$6 for non-residents. For more information or to register, call Boulder Senior Services at (303) 441-4150 or (303) 441-3148. Boulder Senior Services is a division of the city of Boulder 's Housing and Human Services Department.

#### Boulder Senior Services offers new weight training program at the West Senior Center

Boulder Senior Services now offers weight training at 10 a.m. on Wednesdays beginning Nov. 30, for twelve weeks at the West Senior Center , 909 Arapahoe Ave. Seniors will learn proper weight techniques, correct body alignment and will work with hand weights, bands and balls to strengthen different muscle groups.

The fee is \$24 for city residents, and \$29 for non-residents. For more information or to register, call Boulder Senior Services at (303) 441-4150 or (303) 441-3148. . Boulder Senior Services is a division of the city of Boulder 's Housing and Human Services Department.

#### Boulder Senior Services offers support groups, Medicare Plan D enrollment help for area seniors

Boulder Senior Services sponsors a free low vision support group for older adults from 1 to 2 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 28, at the West Boulder Senior Center , 909 Arapahoe Avenue . For more information, call Senior Services at (303) 441-3148.

Other support groups include the Grandparents Support Group for grandparents raising grandchildren from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 28, at the West Boulder Senior Center , 909 Arapahoe Avenue . Free childcare is included during the meeting. For more information, call Senior Services at (303) 441-3148.

Help with Medicare prescription drug plan comparisons and enrollment is available by appointment with trained volunteers at the West Boulder Senior Center , 909 Arapahoe. To schedule an appointment or for more information, call (303) 441-4388. Boulder Senior Services is a division of the city of Boulder 's Housing and Human Services Department.

#### Boulder Senior Services sponsors two holiday day trips for seniors

Boulder Senior Services sponsors a day trip by bus to see "Holiday Harmony" at the Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design in Lakewood from 6 to 10:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1. The Denver Mountain Aires Barbershop Chorus and Quartets will perform. Spiced Wassail and holiday cookies will be served at intermission. The fee is \$13 for city residents and \$16 for non-residents. Seniors can also attend the "Mayor's Gala Ball" at the Adams Mark Hotel in Denver from 6:30 to 11 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 12.

To register for either of these programs or for more information, call Boulder Senior Services at (303) 441-4150 or (303) 441-3148. Boulder Senior Services is a division of the city of Boulder 's Housing and Human Services Department.